# Second Order Economic Effects on Security and Migration in Central America



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Project Summary	This project seeks to analyze the drivers of instability in Central America by reviewing municipal-level data and trends, and to make recommendations to the U.S. Department of State's Bureau of Conflict and Stabilization Operations (CSO) on ways to promote stability in the region.
Country	United States
Country/Region of Focus	Latin America and the Caribbean

## **Project Description**

Students will explore how drivers of instability in the Northern Triangle, specifically lack of economic opportunities (including environmental problems), high gang presence, and gender-based violence, interconnected? To what extent do these drivers contribute to the migration of women and unaccompanied children? Finally, what are the current responses to these issues? Students will seek to identify gaps in USG approach and further our understanding of the complexity of instability in the region.

## **Required Skills or Interests**

#### Skill(s)

Analytical writing
Data analysis
Economic analysis
Political Analysis
Research
Survey / polling design

## **Additional Information**

Project to be used as part of GWU Elliott School's Capstone Project

# **Language Requirements**

None